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ACTIVATIBLE CROSSLINKING GROUPS

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.312**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

As a Notice of Allowance dated January 13, 2004 has been issued in the above-identified application, entry of the present amendment is requested pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.312(a).

This is response to the Examiner's Amendment, dated January 13, 2004, in the above-identified patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this document.